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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings or versions of claims in this application.

1-13. (Canceled)

14. (New) A composition comprising:

- (a) a composition comprising an antibody that binds to a cancer cell, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein the cancer is selected from the group consisting of neuroblastoma, melanoma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, breast cancer, Epstein-Barr related lymphoma, Hodgkin's lymphoma, and epidermoid carcinoma; and
- (b) an orally administered composition comprising at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a β -glucan in an amount effective to enhance the antitumor effect of said antibody, wherein the β -glucan comprises a β -1,3 backbone and at least one β -1,3 side chain linked to the backbone by a β -1,6 glycosidic bond.
- 15. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the β -glucan is isolated from yeast.
- 16. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the β -glucan is isolated from Saccharomyces Cerevisiae.

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17. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the β -glucan has a molecular weight from about 10 kDa to about 350 kDa and is capable of inducing cytokines.

18. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the β -glucan comprises the following partial structure:

- 19. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody or a complement-activating antibody.
- 20. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the antibody binds to a cancer cell expressing an antigen selected from the group consisting of CD20, HER2, EGFR, GD2, and GD3.
- 21. (New) The composition of claim 14, wherein the antibody is further capable of activating an antibody dependent cellmediated cytotoxicity response.
- 22. (New) A composition comprising:
 - (a) a composition comprising an antibody that binds to a cancer cell, and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein the antibody binds to a

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cancer cell expressing an antigen selected from the group consisting of CD20, HER2, EGFR, GD2, and GD3; and

- (b) an orally administered composition comprising at least one pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a β -glucan in an amount effective to enhance the antitumor effect of said antibody, wherein the β -glucan comprises a β -1,3 backbone and at least one β -1,3 side chain linked to the backbone by a β -1,6 glycosidic bond.
- 23. (New) The composition of claim 22, wherein the β -glucan is isolated from yeast.
- 24. (New) The composition of claim 22, wherein the β -glucan is isolated from Saccharomyces Cerevisiae.
- 25. (New) The composition of claim 22, wherein the β -glucan has a molecular weight from about 10 kDa to about 350 kDa and is capable of inducing cytokines.
- 26. (New) The composition of claim 22, wherein the β -glucan comprises the following partial structure:

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27. (New) The composition of claim 22, wherein the antibody is a monoclonal antibody or a complement-activating antibody.

- 28. (New) The composition of claim 22, wherein the cancer cell is selected from the group consisting of neuroblastoma, melanoma, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, breast cancer, Epstein-Barr related lymphoma, Hodgkin's lymphoma, and epidermoid carcinoma.
- 29. (New) The composition of claim 22, wherein the antibody is further capable of activating an antibody dependent cell-mediated cytotoxicity response.